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Naval Battle Reported Off Isle of Wight

Torpedoboot Fleet Engages British, Germans Assert

By the Associated Press.
BERLIN, Oct. 12.—A German torpedo boat flotilla was reported today to have sailed out of a continental port and fought a sea engagement off the Isle of Wight with British light naval forces.

The result of the engagement was not known immediately. The Isle of Wight is off Southampton, on the southeast coast of England.

Informed sources said the German flotilla had encountered British submarines, destroyers and torpedo boats.

The high command reported one convoy off Dover was broken up by German "long-distance artillery of the navy and army" and two others were attacked by dive bombers off Scotland and near the Hebrides. Three ships were halted by bomb hits, the high command said.

3,950 Planes Claimed.

DNB, the official German news agency, said today it had learned from the best-informed German sources that the exact British air losses from July to the present day comprised 3,950 planes, of which 2,900 were fighters and the remainder light and heavy bombers.

During yesterday German planes were reported to have unloaded 12,000 kilograms (26,320 pounds) of bombs on England, and during the night 202,000 (446,420 pounds) kilograms more.

Submarines were described as especially active. One U-boat reported sinking 21,000 tons of shipping.

New waves of German war planes, meanwhile, were reported carrying the 2-months-old air siege to London, and DNB quoted returning flyers as saying great clouds of smoke floated over the city after bombs were dropped this morning.

"Numerous bombs of medium and heavy caliber caused great fires between Thames Bend and Leyton," the agency said. "Furthermore, numerous hits could be observed in the neighborhood of Battersea Park on the south bank of the Thames (where London's greatest power station is located)."

Troop Centers Attacked.

Seven British fighters were shot down in air fights over South England, DNB reported, after German planes attacked troop concentrations with bombs and machine guns. Two German planes are missing so far, the agency continued.

These attacks succeeded a series of "great" night raids on London, Liverpool, Birkenhead and Manchester.

At Liverpool "a great fire broke out in the refrigeration houses around Alexandra Harbor and eastwards to the Canadian docks, which quickly spread," a communiqué said. "Likewise, several great fires between Stanley Harbor and the Canadian docks are observed."

"Dock facilities at Liverpool-Bootle likewise received several full hits and went up in flames."

Many single attacks also were directed against railroad facilities and armament plants in South England and in Scotland, the communiqué added.

An "important" armament plant on the east coast was declared to have been burned to the ground.

Attacks on Holland Reported.

The British air force "committed acts of terror against numerous Dutch localities during which more or less heavy damage was done to persons and property," said the high command.

A few British planes were said to have flown over Western Germany during the night but were reported driven off by anti-aircraft fire after dropping bombs on a single unnamed town without causing material damage.

Manchester Nazi bombers were reported to have damaged railway tracks, a gas works and a nearby army encampment.

One-Day Christmas Ruled for Midshipmen

Special Dispatch to The Star.
ANNAPOLIS, Md., Oct. 12.—In place of the usual 10-day leave at Christmas, midshipmen this year will have only one day liberty. This has been done because of the speeding-up process at the Academy, allowing the first class to hold June week graduation from the 1st to the 7th of February.

Many parents will be disappointed at not having their Navy sons home for Santa Claus time. But regulations cannot be broken just for the sake of old St. Nick.

When the first-class men graduate in February, there will be no upper class, so the second class will be by the senior midshipmen present until the following June.

Truckloads of German Troops Arrive in Rumanian Capital

Nazi Planes Drone Overhead as Soldiers, With Fixed Bayonets, Reach Bucharest

By the Associated Press.
BUCHAREST, Oct. 12.—Germany's drive to the East took form today with arrival of truckloads of German soldiers with fixed bayonets, giving observers the impression of Nazi occupation of this Rumanian capital.

These packed vehicles, escorted by smaller cars containing officers, carried Adolf Hitler's swastika banners through Bucharest streets at noon while squadrons of planes, some with German markings, swept back and forth above the city.

British subjects who had remained here despite worsening relations between London and Bucharest were busily engaged in packing and leaving.

German flags were unfurled at hotels to honor the arrival of the German troops, which made German military penetration of Rumania an established fact after a week of conflicting reports.

Warning by Turkey.
The Nazis' coming drew attention to possible new moves by the Rome-Berlin axis in Southeastern Europe.

The sight of German bayonets flashing in the sun followed Turkey's declaration that 2,000,000 of her own bayonets would block any axis attempt to advance in her direction into the Near East.

The German troops, the first to enter the Rumanian capital, arrived by train under Cavalry Gen. Hansen who, the Germans announced, is (See RUMANIA, Page A-4.)

Hotel in Liverpool Is Razed by Bomb; Big Guns Active

Unknown Number of Dead Buried in Wreckage; London Has 5 Raids

By the Associated Press.
LONDON, Oct. 12.—Nazi warplanes soaring beyond sight in the autumnal mists made five daylight raids on London today after a night of scattered attacks in which an undetermined number of persons were buried in the wreckage of a Liverpool hotel.

Some houses and business establishments in London were smashed today, but the Ministries of Air and Home Security said casualties and damage were comparatively light. Bombs also dropped in Kent and Sussex.

At least four German planes were destroyed, a communiqué said, and one British fighter was lost, with the pilot safe.

Convent Is Bombed.
Five houses were wrecked in one section in the first raid. Stores and offices were damaged in the second and a number of casualties were reported.

The Press Association reported a hospital and a convent were damaged in the night raids. Eleven nuns in the convent escaped without injury, after fighting flames with hand extinguishers on the roof until the fire got out of control and they had to come down.

Official reports said 49 Nazi planes tried to reach London in the first raid and 60 in the second, while 80 took part in the next two raids.

Four bombs fell in one part of London in the first daylight attack, and German guns at Cap Griz Nez resumed their shelling of the English coast.

200th Alarm Sounded.
Rescue crews found several persons alive in the Liverpool Hotel, struck squarely by a big bomb. But the rest of the staff and guests were somewhere beneath the heap of rubble.

Within an hour after the first raid, anti-aircraft guns began to bark again and sirens screamed the city's 200th alarm.

One again, in approximately an hour, planes were heard overhead and the day's third warning was sounded.

To the battle of bombs was added the war of guns. Long-range British and German batteries on opposite sides of the English Channel thundered for more than three hours last night and early today in their longest bombardment.

Big shells exploding at three-minute intervals shook the coasts of Southeastern England and Nazi-held France. Flashes of gunfire lighted both sides of the Strait of Dover.

New Blows at Coast.
From bases back of the smoking guns the Royal Air Force roared eastward for new blows at the Nazi concentration points along the coast. Bombs were dropped near Calais and Cap Griz Nez Lighthouse, where two big German coastal batteries were firing.

The Air Ministry reported that despite fog and unfavorable flying conditions over Germany "some military objectives" there were bombed, in addition to "heavy attacks" on the coastal bases.

In a later, expanded communiqué, the ministry said: "Targets included oil plants factories and docks at Kiel, Hamburg, Bremerhaven, Wesermünde and Wilhelmshaven. Several enemy air-dromes were also bombed.

"Our offensive against the Channel ports from Rotterdam to Cherbourg was continued. All our aircraft returned safely."

London Casualties "Light."
Although London, as usual, bore the brunt of the overnight air raids on England, 12 other districts were attacked. A communiqué said these were in Scotland, Wales, Northwest Ireland and the Channel Islands.

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U. S. Will Send 2 Refugee Ships To Far East

Liners Manhattan And Washington Being Made Ready

By GARNETT D. HORNER.
Secretary of State Hull said today the liners Manhattan and Washington are being made ready to go to the Far East to help remove Americans who have been warned to leave in view of the abnormal situation there.

Mr. Hull said present plans are to send the two big liners to the Orient as soon as overhauling is completed. He indicated these plans would be changed only if reports should show that demands for passage did not greatly exceed the capacity of vessels in scheduled service in that area.

American citizens throughout Japan, China and areas controlled or menaced by Japanese forces were advised earlier this week that they should consider leaving the potential danger zones while transportation still was available. The advice applied particularly to women and children and men not detained by urgent considerations.

Five Ships Available.
United States consuls were instructed to report the response to this advice, indicating the number of Americans desiring to leave immediately.

Mr. Hull said today he understood five passenger vessels now are in the Far Eastern area, along with some freighters which could carry a limited number of passengers.

John M. Franklin, president of the United States Lines which operates the Washington and Manhattan, said he was in Manila, Commission officials yesterday approved the plans for sending them to the Far East and is scheduled to continue the conference Monday.

The Manhattan and Washington, withdrawn from regular European service at the outbreak of the war, were sent to Lisbon, Portugal, and Galway, Ireland, to evacuate Americans early last summer when spread of the war intensified dangers of living in Europe.

Meanwhile, it was revealed today that exports of large quantities of machine tools to Russia and Soviet charter of American tankers were approved soon after diplomatic talks were undertaken to improve Russo-American relations.

The conversations between Undersecretary of State Welles and Constantin Oumansky, Russian Ambassador here, were begun last July and resumed Monday amid speculation on the possibility of co-operative action by the United States, Great Britain and Russia to checkmate Japan's expansionist drive.

Huge Soviet orders for machine tools were held up when the act requiring licenses for export of strategic war materials went into effect early last July. Licenses releasing shipment of a large part of the Russian orders were granted during the first week in August, officials said today.

Further Friction Removed.
Meanwhile, another point of friction in relations with the Soviet was removed by the Maritime Commission's approval of charter by Russia of a number of American tankers.

Soviet officials are said to have been seeking such approval successfully for two years or more.

There was no official comment on significance of the fact that these moves came so soon after institution of the Welles-Oumansky talks.

The Government's action, however, was in line with persistent reports that this country and Great Britain were seeking to eliminate points of friction with Russia to clear the way for some form of parallel action opposing Japanese efforts to gain dominance over all East Asia. Russia has been a major source of supplies for China, which this country also has encouraged with loans and supplies in her resistance to Japan.

Ships Sold to Britain.
American material assistance to Britain went forward, meanwhile, (Continued on Page A-4, Column 4.)

French Restore Leopold To Legion of Honor

By Bombs at Bengasi

By the Associated Press.
NEW YORK, Oct. 12.—The German radio broadcast a dispatch from Vichy today that King Leopold III of Belgium had been restored to the order of the French Legion of Honor.

The French wartime government of Premier Paul Reynaud had removed the King's name when the Belgian Army capitulated.

Japanese Reported Trying To Come to Terms With China

Aim Would Be Stable Situation So Troops Could Be Used in Netherlands Indies

By WILLIAM H. STONEMAN.
Chicago Daily News Foreign Correspondent.
LONDON, Oct. 12.—Behind a smokescreen of threats and ominous gestures against the Western democracies, Japan is now making a serious attempt to come to terms with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, the correspondent of the Chicago Daily News learns on excellent authority.

So far, it is believed, these peace attempts have come to nothing, but there is apparently no question about the fact that the Japanese have had definite propositions to make and that they really mean business.

The patent purpose of this strange Oriental peace move is to establish a sufficiently stable and pacific situation in China proper to allow Japan to withdraw troops, airplanes and naval units from China proper for use elsewhere. "Elsewhere" is generally conceded to be the neighborhood of the Netherlands Indies.

Would Hurt U. S. and Russia.
The Dutch islands are now defended by substantial and modern military coastal and naval forces as well as by threat of British and American intervention. As long as Japan is deeply involved in the Chinese war it probably lacks sufficient force to capture them.

New Deal Preaches Defeatism to Hide Failure, Wilkie Says

G. O. P.'s Hope to Sweep New England Rises After His Visit

By J. A. O'LEARY.
Star Staff Correspondent.
ABOARD WILKIE'S TRAIN EN ROUTE TO ALBANY, N. Y., Oct. 12.—Republicans had high hopes today of carrying five of the six New England States as Wendell Wilkie completed his tour of the region in the Western part of Massachusetts.

With Maine, Vermont and New Hampshire regarded as in their column, they were greatly encouraged over the prospects in Connecticut, Rhode Island and Massachusetts as a result of the friendly reception given the Republican nominee as he traveled hundreds of miles through the latter three States this week.

Political analysts in this section, however, discounting the enthusiasm of Republican workers, look on Rhode Island as a Republican weak spot at present. They indicate a belief also that Massachusetts—with its 17 electoral votes—is extremely close between President Roosevelt and Mr. Wilkie as of today.

New Deal Defeatism.
As the nominee's Albany-bound train stopped in Lawrence, Mass., this morning, Mr. Wilkie repeated to a throng there the charge he made in Rhode Island Thursday that the New Deal sees no room for industrial growth to solve the unemployment problem.

He said: "Since Mr. Roosevelt first told us that there was no more room for expansion in America, many revolutionary new inventions and new industries have come along. The third-term candidate himself has had air-conditioning installed in the White House since he made his gloomy statement. And still the New Dealers do not learn."

"In an effort to cover up their own failure they keep telling us that the era of expansion in America is all over."

Mr. Wilkie in a stop at Haverhill, Mass., later this morning asserted the depression from which Haverford Industries have suffered illustrates one of the basic issues of his campaign, his promise to create jobs in private industry for men still out of work.

Derides "Defense Tour."
The high spot of the New England tour was reached last night, when Mr. Wilkie told more than 25,000 Bostonians in the National League ball park that President Roosevelt thinks dictators abroad can win the election for him. He accused the President also of "trying to perpetuate himself in office."

Mr. Wilkie began his Boston speech with a caustic attack on the President's military inspection trip into Pittsburgh and Ohio, as he had done late in the afternoon at Cambridge.

"I do not live in a land of make-believe," he began. "I am here making a political speech. I am not on a military inspection tour. There is a military inspection tour going on in Pennsylvania now and I think you people in New England may expect another defense tour soon."

Before going to the ball park for (See WILKIE, Page A-4.)

Bethesda Girl, 10, Dies After Boy Kicks Her

Injured when kicked accidentally by another child while playing at school, Dolores Williams, 10-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Williams of 24 Madison street, Bethesda, Md., died today in Children's Hospital of complications following a ruptured appendix.

Dolores, it was said at the Williams household, was injured while playing at the Bethesda Elementary School Wednesday afternoon. A boy kicked her, it was said. Dolores was a 5th grade student at the school.

Although it was said the Williams girl complained of pain Wednesday night, she was not taken to Children's Hospital until Thursday. On Friday, physicians decided to operate and it was found she had a ruptured appendix. Peritonitis had already set in, it was said.

Montgomery County police are investigating.

Body of Judge, Sought in Slaying of 2, Found

By the Associated Press.
DETROIT, Oct. 12.—Two duck hunters found the body of Common Pleas Judge Robert E. Sage, sought for murder in connection with the fatal shooting of two business associates in his chambers in the county building, on an island in the Detroit River today. Judge Sage had drowned and the body had washed ashore.

Identification was made through a key found in Sage's pocket and through a tailor's label in the suit worn by the drowned man. The key mounted police and some daredevil motorcycling to clear up that situation—but still they were smiling.

In Akron, Mr. Roosevelt made an unscheduled appearance announced (See ROOSEVELT, Page A-3.)

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3,045 Estimated D. C. Quota for First Draft Year

Enlistments to Cut Figure Slightly; Cox Fully Ready

BULLETIN.
MADISON, Wis., Oct. 12 (AP).—President Clarence A. Dykstra of the University of Wisconsin said today he would accept the post of Federal draft administrator, offered him by President Roosevelt recently.

Mr. Dykstra, who discussed the War Department matter with the President and Secretary of War Stimson earlier this week, announced his decision following a meeting with the university board of regents, which granted him an indefinite leave of absence.

As the District was officially reported in "complete readiness" today to register its estimated 95,000 draft eligibles, unofficial computations showed the city will have to supply approximately 3,045 of the 800,000 selective service men to be mobilized during the first year of conscription.

From this estimated quota, based on population figures and on estimates by the War Department of enrollment in present armed forces, will have to be deducted later only numbers who have enlisted in the regular forces or their reserves since the War Department made up its tentative list, and those who may enroll before registration day, next Wednesday.

Previous unofficial estimates had placed the District's quota for the first year at 4,000, but noted a deduction from this figure of all National Guardsmen, Reserves and new enlistments.

The computed Washington quota is based on a gross estimate of 10,348, figured on latest Census Bureau reports. From that figure the War Department's total of 7,303 from the District now serving in the armed forces has been deducted. The number thus deduced, officials pointed out, includes local men in the regular forces, reserves and the National Guard.

Address to Hemisphere On Defense Will Be Broadcast Tonight

By JOHN C. HENRY.
ABOARD PRESIDENTIAL TRAIN IN OHIO, Oct. 12.—If crowds and cheers in October mean votes in November, President Roosevelt has Pennsylvania and Ohio "in the bag" today.

If they stay there, and from this spot there are no signs they want to go elsewhere, it means 62 healthy electoral votes next month.

Since 9 o'clock yesterday morning, this caravan has resembled nothing so much as a bandwagon with an unlimited capacity for passengers. Starting with Johnstown and going to Seward, Pittsburgh, Youngstown, Akron, Columbus, plus every whistle stop and railroad yard in between, there have been capacity crowds and happy hollering.

Not the least happy, incidentally, have been the dozen or more candidates for one thing or another who have scrambled on and off the special train for presidential benediction.

500,000 Line Streets.
As for the purely spectator-participants, in Pittsburgh, heart of the Nation's greatest industrial area and key city in Pennsylvania politics as well as in the building of arms for defense, the Secret Service estimated that between 500,000 and 600,000 persons lined 20 miles of streets yesterday to wave "the Chief" their good wishes.

For a metropolitan area that counts approximately a million people, the estimate does not seem unduly high. Not many people were staying at home yesterday.

It was a demonstration that paled Mr. Roosevelt's reception in Philadelphia three weeks ago and made the carefully staged Albany rally of last Monday night positively apathetic. And from the temper and the conduct of the crowd, it was obvious that they meant it.

"If they're still smiling when car 15 goes by, they mean it," one wit cracked and they were probably still smiling when car 30 passed.

Little wonder that Senator Joe Guffey, one of the State's several Democratic bosses, was radiating good will in the Pittsburgh station as he left the presidential party in midafternoon. And ditto for David L. Lawrence, national committee man with whom Senator Guffey had just concluded a feud—at least until after November 5.

Police Lines Trampled.
Moving into Ohio, the President was received at Youngstown by a smaller crowd, perhaps only 125,000, but they poured it on without any inhibitions, at one point on Main street, a main thoroughfare as wide at least as Pennsylvania avenue, the crowd trampled down the police lines and threatened to sweep right into the President's car. It took mounted police and some daredevil motorcycling to clear up that situation—but still they were smiling.

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Ecuador Takes U. S. Loan

QUITO, Ecuador, Oct. 12 (AP).—The Ecuadorian government adopted a decree today authorizing a \$1,250,000 loan from the Export-Import Bank at Washington.

YOU And the DRAFT

The Star's recent series of questions and answers on the draft has now been printed in convenient booklet form and is available for distribution to those who apply.

The series of questions and answers presents, clearly and accurately, information about the draft as it affects those soon to register. It was compiled from scores of queries that reached The Star Office, the answers being run down through personal conferences with officials at Selective Service Headquarters. The booklet answers practically everything you may want to know about the draft, with maps showing registration places for Washington and for the Counties of Montgomery, Prince Georges and Fairfax.

The book is on sale every day, for 5 cents, at the counter in The Star lobby.

For mail delivery inclose 8 cents in coin or stamps, write your address plainly and mail to the Conscription Editor, Evening Star.